

Docket No.: 20061-00088-US

(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Reexamination Application of:
Xavier Joubert, et al.

Application No.: 09/485,225

Confirmation No.: 1666

Filed: February 23, 2000

Art Unit: 3677

For: HIGH STRENGTH HOOK, IN
PARTICULAR FOR AN ELASTIC CABLE

Examiner: R. Rodriguez

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified reexamination application be reconsidered in view of the remarks which follow, that each of the presently pending claims be allowed, and that the application be passed to issue.

REMARKS

In paragraph 1 of the Office Action, the Examiner repeats the proposed drawing requirement as stated in the Office Action of July 17, 2002. However, the Office Action indicates that the proposed drawing correction has been approved. Therefore, a requirement for a drawing correction should be withdrawn.

Claims 3, 7, 8, 10, and 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Einhorn (U.S. 4,010,794) in view of Tracy (U.S. 4,559,677), Lacore (U.S. 5,546,639), and Wackerly (U.S. 5,839,768). Claim 9 was rejected under 35 U.S.C.

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